

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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1. Romania's annual production of lime is 150,000 to 200,000 tons, divided as follows:
  - a. Turda: Two lime kilns, each with a railroad siding, with one shaft kiln and eight field kilns. Average daily production is 60 to 80 tons, but an annual production of 35,000 to 40,000 tons is achieved by overloading the kilns.
  - b. Timisoara: One kiln at Barsova with one round kiln; one lime kiln at Baile-Herculane with one shaft kiln; and one lime kiln 30 kilometers from Timisoara with one round kiln. Annual production in this area is approximately 40,000 tons.
  - c. Alsed, near Cluj: One round kiln with an annual production of 10,000 to 12,000 tons.
  - d. Dobra (Hunedoara District): One shaft kiln and four field kilns with an annual production of 20,000 tons.
  - e. Racosul de Jos (Stalin District): Ten field kilns with an annual production of 6,000 tons.
  - f. Stalin (Orasul Stalin): One lime kiln with an annual production of 4,000 to 6,000 tons.
  - g. Sinaia (former Costinescu factory): Two shaft kilns with an annual production of 6,000 tons.
  - h. Comarnic: Small annual production which has recently closed down.
  - i. Several small kilns in various locations with an annual production of 1,000 to 4,000 tons.

25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

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2. Crushed limestone is produced in three qualities: fine for the rubber and dye industries and for artificial fertilizer; medium for tar paper and road building; and coarse for the glass industry. Four thousand tons of limestone are crushed annually at Racosul de Jos; 2,000 tons at Turda; 2,000 tons at Sinaia; 3,000 tons at Bucharest; and 4,000 tons elsewhere.
3. Rumania's annual production of cement is 1,000,000 to 1,200,000 tons, divided as follows: 400,000 tons at Turda; 60,000 tons at Dej; 200,000 tons at Stalin; 200,000 tons at Titan, Bucharest; 60,000 tons at Cernavoda; 60,000 tons at Azuga; and 200,000 tons at Fieni.
4. The following stone quarries are known:
  - a. Turda: limestone quarry in the Turda Mountains, eight to ten kilometers from Turda. The quarry, originally called Kiraly, was taken over by the government from the Solvay Works. Its annual production is approximately 1,500,000 tons.
  - b. Stalin: basalt quarry in the Racos Mountains, near the Racosul de Jos railroad station. Number of workers varies from 400 to 800. Daily production is 400 to 600 tons of gravel, 170 to 200 tons of 7 x 9 centimeter paving stones, and 20 to 40 tons of 18 x 18 centimeter paving stones.
  - c. Poeni (Cluj): granite quarry near the Poeni railroad station. Production of first-class granite is similar to that at Stalin.
  - d. Turcoaia (Dobrogen on the Danube): granite quarry. The daily production of approximately 200 tons is shipped by boat.
  - e. Malnas (near Tusnad-Stalin): granite quarry. Daily production is 200 tons of broken stone, and the principal consumer is CFR (Rumanian Railroads).
  - f. Rusca Montana (former property of Bibel): marble quarry. Annual production of pink and white marble is 10,000 tons. Approximately 50 percent of this figure is exported, principally to Hungary.
  - g. Oradea: marble quarry located 30 to 40 kilometers from Oradea. Annual production of white, pink, and yellow marble is 2,000 to 3,000 tons.
  - h. Buzau: sandstone quarry. The product, yellow sandstone, is used as a substitute for marble.
5. Rumania's annual production of gypsum is 30,000 to 35,000 tons, divided as follows: 20,000 tons at Turda; 3,000 to 4,000 tons at Aghires (Cluj); 1,000 to 2,000 tons at Comarnic; and 3,000 tons at Bucharest. A portion of the production at Aghires is sent to Hungary.
6. Rumania's daily production of soapstone is 20 tons, about half of which is exported   for electrical and insulation materials. Soapstone is quarried at Rusca-Montana (two mines), Hunedoara, and Deva.

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